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NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

An Update on the Strategic Vision

Feb 01, 2010

I hope that those of you who were in attendance at the Jan. 21 town hall in support of our Strategic Vision process enjoyed the lively conversation. [Joe Bankoff's presentation](#) (<http://www.gatech.edu/vision/bankoff>) – a hypothetical look from the future – was engaging, entertaining and inspiring. If the Georgia Tech of 2035 in any way resembles the result Joe proposed we will have some very impressive accomplishments to tout. His insights were both informed and candid, and I want to thank him for his commitment to this process and his support of our institution.

Now that the [preliminary draft reports](#) (<http://www.gatech.edu/vision/reports>) are in, it is time to begin the process of creating a cohesive vision for Georgia Tech. For the past five months, we have reached out to the campus in order to be comprehensive and inclusive throughout the entire process. Following the September 3 kickoff, our subcommittees have held more than 60 open forums to collect and evaluate individual assessments as to what Georgia Tech should look like in 2035. Earlier this month, we held our Days of Engagement, asking that students and faculty take time out of their coursework to start a dialogue on our curriculum and pedagogy. We have also promoted our [Strategic Vision Web site](#) (<http://www.gatech.edu/vision/>) as a means for feedback on the planning process.

Now comes the hard part. While it is relatively easy to think creatively and expansively about what Georgia Tech might be, trying to put that in some sort of consolidated vision will be a real challenge.

During my [recent update to campus](#) (<http://www.gatech.edu/vision/update-january-21.html>), I highlighted just a few of the ways people have been thinking expansively to envision what Georgia Tech might look like in 25 years. These ideas are not at the exclusion of others, but rather as a window into the exciting concepts that our community is putting forward.

I would encourage you to take a look; a full update is available on the [Strategic Vision Web site](#) (<http://www.gatech.edu/vision/update-january-21.html>).

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[Georgia Tech to Found Center for 21st Century Universities](#)

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The new center will serve as living laboratory for technologically enhanced approaches to education.



[Georgia Tech Celebrates 786 Patents Thanks to Tech Transfer Law](#)

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